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SUBJECT: CONGRESSIONAL LETTER REGARDING ROK ARREST OF KOREAN RESIDENT OF JAPAN.
1. DEPARTMENT HAS RECEIVED CONGRESSIONAL LETTER REGARDING CASE OF MR. CHOI CHOL KYO, A KOREAN RESIDENT OF JAPAN. ACCORDING TO LETTER, CHOI WAS ARRESTED ON ESPIONAGE CHARGES IN APRIL 1974 ON ARRIVAL AT KIMPO AIRPORT AND WAS SENTENCED TO DEATH IN OCTOBER 1974. DECISION WAS UPHELD ON APPEAL IN FEB 1975 AND SUPREME COURT REVIEW EXPECTED SHORTLY. SEVERAL AMERICAN PROTESTANT MINISTERS IN JAPAN AND US ARE INTERESTED IN CASE.
2. DEPARTMENT WOULD APPRECIATE ANY FACTUAL INFORMATION CONCERNING THIS CASE AVAILABLE TO EMBASSY FOR USE IN REPLYING TO CONGRESSIONAL LETTER.
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